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SUBJECT:VENEZUELA TELECOMMUNICATIONS STUDY

REF: CARACAS 9936

1. COMMERCE PASSED SUBSTANCE OF REFTTEL TO OFFICE OF R.E. GRADLE, ATT VICE PRESIDENT FOR GOVERNMENT COMMUNICATIONS, 2055 "L" ST. N.W., WASHINGTON, D.C.

2. GRADLE'S ASSISTANT M. BECNEL SAID MATTER WOULD BE GIVEN CONSIDERATION ALTHOUGH A T AND T'S SUBSIDIARY WHICH HAS UNDERTAKEN SURVEYS ABROAD (AMERICAN BELL INTERNATIONAL INC) HAS ONLY DONE SO WITH PRIOR USG'S KNOWLEDGE AND APPROVAL IN TWO COUNTRIES (IRAN UNDER USAF SPONSORSHIP AND EGYPT WITH AID ENDORSEMENT AND FUNDING).

3. GRADLE HAS NOW ADVISED THAT FINOL REQUEST SHOULD BE DIRECTED TO MR. JACK BAIRD, A T AND T VICE PRESIDENT FOR CUSTOMER SERVICES AT 295 NORTH MAPLE AVE., BASKING RIDGE, NEW JERSEY 07920, TELEPHONE 201-221-3155. BAIRD WILL NOT BE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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AVAILABLE FOR CONTACT BEFORE AUGUST 30.

4. REFTEL GIVES NO INDICATION OF EMBASSY'S ENDORSEMENT OF

FINOL PLAN. BELIEVE A T AND T WILL DEMUR UNLESS MISSION
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